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Hongkong, 3rd November, 1896. [1697]

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OF

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 19th September, 1896. [1427]

BIRTH.

At the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank House, Tientsin, on 17th November, the wife of DUNCAN H. MACKINTOSH, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

On 14th inst. at H.B.M.'s Consulate General, Shanghai, by Sir Nicholas J. Hannen, and afterwards at the Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, M.A., FREDERICK CASTLE, youngest son of the late Major Henry A. McCALLUM, R.M.L.I., Southern, to ALICE, younger daughter of the late Philip HOWARD, Esq., of Hartlepool, Durham.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1896.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS'S MESSAGE.

FRANCE IN AFRICA.

LONDON, November 19th.
The Temps states that France has taken measures to safeguard French rights in the Dahomey hinterland and the Niger, in the event of the Royal Niger Company attempting to occupy Baflo.

(Special to the N. C. Daily News)
SUICIDE OF A RUSSIAN CONSUL.
Kobe, November 16th.
Mr. G. de Wendrich, Vice-Consul for Russia at this port, committed suicide this morning.

WHAT MEANETH THIS?

We received information this afternoon that the French cruiser Alger, which left here on the 17th ultimo for a "cruise," returning on the 19th instant, has been engaged in surveying Kwang-chow Bay, on the north-east coast of Lei (Liu) Chow Peninsula which is near Kowloon, the capital of Hainan Island, and Pakhoi, in Kwangtung province. Our informant thinks there is no doubt the French are keeping an eye on the island of Hainan and Luchow peninsula and that the southward advance of Russia in the north will shortly be followed by a French "move" in the south—unless something happens to checkmate French designs on the southernmost provinces of China. The French are just now making a great fuss about the attack on M. Berthol's factory at Pakhoi—really a very trivial affair—and then there is the Marly difficulty which has been kept an open sore for a very long time; and as the Chinese seem to think the French claims are unreasonable they have been very stubborn and, it appears, still evade payment. Messrs Marly's claim arose out of a question of influence, it being alleged, if we remember slightly, that certain Chinese officials in Hainan had exercised their influence to injure the business of Messrs Marly & Co. A heavy claim was made by the French firm for damages.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

LAST performance of "Fra Diavolo" to-night.

THIS evening a smoking concert will be given in the rooms of the Engineers' Institute.

THIS afternoon the Pique played the Alceste, the former winning the match by 3 to 11.

THE cricket match—Rovers v. Royal Artillery—was played at Happy Valley this afternoon. The Artillery made 115 and the Rovers 62.

Mr. Stephen Hart, recently charged with arson at Shanghai, was acquitted on the 14th instant, the jury bringing in a unanimous verdict of not guilty.

THE McKinley forgery case was called on today at the Magistrate and again formally remanded, pending the arrival of a witness from Japan.

THE freight market is still as dull as possible, as will be seen by Messrs Lamke and Rogge's Freight Circular published in another part of this issue.

At Happy Valley this afternoon the Centurion and Royal Engineers tried conclusions at football, the match ending in a rather easy victory for the naval team by 4 goals to 1.

THE Mission steam-launch Day Spring will call alongside any vessel holding the answering pennant, between 9 and 10.30 a.m. on Sunday to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. £10
Messrs Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd. 10

We would remind our readers of Surgeon-General Ewart's lecture on "The Medical Arrangements of an English Army in the Field" at the Volunteer Institute to-night. All members of the Corps and the general public, including ladies, are invited to attend. The chair will be taken by Mr. T. Jackson at 7 p.m.

TEAMS from the Rifle Brigade and the Navy played a cricket match on the Club ground yesterday, the result being a win for the soldiers by 6 runs. Capt. Eccles played fine cricket for his 98, and Alexander also did good work with the ball for the R.B. Lieut. Bonham-Carter was top scorer for the Navy with 27 and Shallow and Carter divided the bowling honours.

THE North China Daily News announces in its issue of the 17th instant that His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan has just conferred the order of the Rising Sun (5th class) on Dr. W. Wykeham Myers, who for many years was a resident of Amoy and Tientsin, and for services rendered the Japanese Government in Formosa. We heartily congratulate this worthy Doctor on this acknowledgment of his services.

THE first ordinary general meeting of the Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., was held at Shanghai on the 16th instant at the offices of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., the general managers. The Chairman, in his opening speech, said he hoped to see the mill at work soon after China New Year. Resolutions respecting Committees and Auditor were passed.

ON Monday afternoon at the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club play a team from H.M.S. Centurion; kick off at 4.40 p.m. sharp. The Club will be represented by J. R. Gillingham, goal; R. Pluckney and H. W. Looker, backs; H. W. Stide, F. H. Kew, and W. H. Pryce-Brown, R.M.L.I., halves; E. C. Rowcroft, H.K.R., J. D. Danby, W. D. Mayson, T. L. Sheldford, R.N., and A. L. Cay, R.N., forwards.

M. LE ROCHER, Commissioner of Customs, left the Model Settlement on the 14th instant for Wuhu and Shashi. In this connection we note that an advertisement in the Shanghai papers states that in accordance with instructions received from the Inspector-General of Customs, Mr. Paul H. Kling, Acting Deputy Commissioner, has charge of the Shanghai Customs establishment during the temporary absence of his able and indefatigable chief.

THE Tientsin Times on the 14th instant says:—Mr. B. Chihol, the special correspondent of The Times, passed through Tientsin this week en route for Korea, having spent some little time in Peking, presumably with the object of gauging the situation correctly. This gentleman's information to the British public on the occasion of his last visit to China was so accurate that we hail with pleasure the prospect of his return from the same pen to the folks at home.

It is rumored that among the elect for the staff of the new sporting paper Sport & Gossip to be published at Shanghai shortly is Mr. Harry Wade, author of an invaluable guide book for sportsmen in this part of the world entitled "With Boat and Gun on the Yangtze." Mr. Wade is a pleasing writer and his book is brimful of information useful for those sportsmen who desire to try their skill among the birds along the banks of the Yangtze. "Being a thorough sportsman himself Mr. Wade knows whereof he writes and we confidently commend his book to those contemplating a holiday trip up the Yangtze, for it is, in our opinion, the best work on the subjects handled that has ever been published.

It will be seen by an advertisement in this issue that a sporting paper will soon be published in Shanghai with that clever and thoroughly up-to-date writer "Daybreak" as editor. The new journal is to be called Sport and Gossip, and it goes without saying that all classes of sport will be well looked after by its staff. With such men as "Daybreak," Harry Wade, and lots of other good sports in Shanghai to fall back upon for news and opinions the career of the paper should be a brilliant one, for there is unquestionably a field for such a journal in these dreary "realms of the blest." An authoritative organ devoted to sporting affairs has long been needed in the "Gorgeous East," and we therefore say—"Welcome Sport and Gossip; may your career be a long and a happy one."

IN connection with the forthcoming annual Regatta the following crews have been picked for the Chairman's Challenge Cup:—Kowloon—F. Lammet (captain), G. Mollison, A. E. Alves, M. Fredericks, P. Hyndman (cox). Lei—R. F. Lammet (captain), A. A. Alves, S. Robinson, E. Blitchoff, F. H. Kew (cox). Rovi—G. C. Hayward (captain), G. H. Potts, H. W. Kennett, E. August, F. White (cox). Thistle—W. Armstrong (captain), T. Brown, G. C. Fullerton, L. A. Rose, C. T. Kent (cox). Shamrock—T. Meek (captain), W. A. Stoppel, C. G. Killick, T. Connolly, R. Henderson (cox). The German Cup crews are—Thistle—F. Lammet (captain), H. Skott, Surgeon-Captain Watson, A. E. Alves, P. Hyndman (cox). Shamrock—R. F. Lammet (captain), E. Blitchoff, W. A. Stoppel, L. A. Rose, C. T. Kent (cox). Lei—T. Meek (captain), A. A. Alves, S. Robinson, T. Connolly, R. Henderson (cox). Kowloon—W. Armstrong (captain), G. C. Fullerton, T. Brown, F. W. White (cox). Rovi—G. C. Hayward (captain), G. H. Potts, A. Thomet, H. W. Kennett, and J. Hance (cox).

THERE was a very large and representative attendance of Messrs at the Customs Club, Shanghai, on the 12th instant, when R. W. Bro. A. W. Danforth, D.D.G.M., installed the Bro. Master and Officers of the Ancient Landmark Lodge for the ensuing year. Impressive addresses were delivered by the Grand Master of the District Lodge of Northern China, R. W. Bro. Lewis Moore, and several other Masters and Past Masters, and R. W. Bro. C. Thorne, D.D.G.M., presented the congratulations and best wishes of the assembled brethren to the newly installed W. Master in eloquent terms. The following is the list of the brethren who were placed in their several chairs by the Deputy District Grand Master:—

W.M. Rev. Dr. Stevens.
S.W. Rev. J. R. Hyzen.
J.W. G. E. Marshall.
A. H. Allen.
Secretary G. L. Skinner.
Chaplain Rev. E. T. Williams.
S.D. C. A. Biddle.
J.D. W. Mesny.
S.S. J. J. Thomas.
J.S. J. W. Thatcher.
Tyler J. Gould.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY, 21st November.

The Register of Shares of Messrs A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 25th inst., both days inclusive.

9 p.m.—Rifle Brigade Burlesque "Fra Diavolo" at the City Hall.

9 p.m.—Lecture "On the Medical Arrangements of an English Army in the Field" at the Volunteer Institute.

THE Customs Receipts for the third quarter of the present year shows the comparative revenue collected this year and in 1895 was as follows:—

| | 1895. | 1896. |
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| Chinese Treaty Ports | 6,014,860 | 6,031,741 |
| Kowloon & Lappa | 232,184 | 235,126 |
| Lungchow & Mergins | 17,354 | 13,852 |

Total, 6,264,398 6,280,719

To this year's total Newchwang contributed 115,232 against 111 last year, when it was in the hands of the Japanese.

IN his comments on transactions in mining stocks during the week ending noon to-day Mr. Erich Georg says:—Punjams have ruled very steady with a fair quantity of shares changing hands at \$12.85, \$12.85, \$12.90, \$13, and \$13.10 for ordinary, and \$3.90 for preference shares; the stock closing strong with further buyers and every indication of a rise. Latest news from the mine, dated 2nd instant, reports the finding of a reef carrying free gold in payable quantities, and as this discovery has been made in hitherto untouched ground it is of great importance. New Balmorals are weak with sellers at \$1.60. Rauba have not been able to keep up, Singapore selling lower rates, and in sympathy with the south rates have dropped here to \$9 sellers. The Manager's report for the months of September and October reads very well, the 2,353 tons of ore crushed during that time resulting in a yield of nearly 1,914 ounces of smelted gold, which is the best result obtained so far from Raub.

It is always a sign that we are approaching the close of a year when the Insurance Companies begin to send their new calendars along, and already the enterprising local agents of several companies have forwarded us their handy "reminders" for 1897. From the old-established South British Company (Messrs. S. J. David and Company, Agents) we have received a handsome wall calendar, mounted on thick cardboard in dark green and gold. The days, dates, and months, which are movable, are lithographed in very clear and bold letters, making it "just the thing" for office use. Some idea of the business done by the "South British" may be gathered from the fact that its subscribed capital is £1,227,032, and since 1872 it has paid on losses no less a sum than £2,725,701.—The Union Assurance Society (Fire and Life) for which Mr. Harry Wickling is the Hongkong Agent, sends us a neat little vest-pocket diary, bound in leather and gilt-edged. Besides a calendar, pages for everyday use and for memos, it contains some useful information, and it is altogether a handy little article. The Union Assurance Society, we may here state, is one of the oldest of these institutions, having been established in 1714, when "Good Queen Anne" was on the English throne. Judging from its business, the Union is a very popular society and its total invested funds amount to the respectable sum of £2,800,000.

MR. ERICH GEORG in his Weekly Share List issued at noon to-day states:—Business during the week has been a little more lively, and a fair amount of transactions in several stocks have been put through. Concerning Banks he says:—Hongkong and Shanghai sold at 183 and 182 per cent. premium cash, but only to a moderate extent, the stock closing quiet but steady at latter rate. On time, a fair amount of business has been done at 185 and 186 per cent. premium for 31st December, 187 per cent. premium for 31st January, 193 per cent. premium for 31st March, and 193 per cent. premium for 31st May next, mostly, if not all, to the North. The London quotation is £44 0s. 0d. Nationals have changed hands at 260, and small lots are still wanted at that rate. Bank of China unchanged. In respect to shipping shares Mr. Georg reports thus:—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao's have been done in fairly large quantities at \$32.85, \$33, and \$34 for cash, closing strong at the higher rate, and from every appearance a rise may be looked for in the near future; a sale at \$34 for 28th February next has also been effected. Indo-China sold in small lots at \$41, which I make the selling rate. China and Manilla without business. Douglass sold at \$55 and \$56 in the early part of the week; on Thursday, however, a strong demand set in, and the rate rose to \$60, with sales at that and intermediate rates; the closing rate is \$59 sellers.

A RATHER peculiar case came before the Acting Police Judge (Mr. T. Sercombe-Smith) in the Summary Jurisdiction Court yesterday. Gendah Singh sued Julia Pascoal for the recovery of \$550 on a promissory note. The defendant admitted the note and pleaded coverture, her husband being alive when the note was given, but had died since. Mr. Wilkinson, for the plaintiff, held that as defendant's husband was dead at the time the action was commenced he could not be said to be "resident in the colony" and therefore the defendant was precluded from pleading coverture. He said, it was decided in the present action that the law did not apply to cases where the husband was dead the effect would be that married women could not raise defence of coverture to actions brought on contracts made by them so long as their husbands were alive and absent from the colony, but the instant such husband died they could raise such defence, —an inconsistent state of the law which could not possibly have been intended by the Legislature. Mr. Monney, for the defence, contended that by the common law of England a married woman could not contract and that the section referred to related to the time of contracting and not to the time of action. His Lordship said that it made no difference whether the husband was or was not resident in the colony at the time the debt was contracted. The plea of coverture could not be sustained if the husband were not resident in the colony at the time of action being brought. The section, in his opinion, clearly contemplated a husband being in existence on and either resident or not resident in the colony. He gave judgment therefore for the plaintiff with costs.

AT the meeting of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club on the 16th instant, Messrs. Ayseough, Callaway, Counts, Crawford, F. J. Malland, Midwood, and Perrott were elected Stewards, and Mr. F. J. Malland was re-appointed Master.

A FIRE occurred at about 3 a.m. to-day in a "family house" in Possession Street, caused by a lamp igniting the bed curtains in a small room on the first floor. For a few minutes there was an alarming blaze, but the inmates with the help of neighbours soon got the flames under. The total damage done amounted to about \$5, and the place was unharmed.

DURING a heavy gale on the 3rd inst., a Chinese gunboat, lying outside Taku Bar, began to drag her anchors and drift towards H.M.S. Archer. Those on board the Archer endeavored to call the attention of the crew of the Chinese gunboat to the critical position, but in vain, as there was not a soul on deck. When it seemed imminent that the gunboat would drift on the Archer, the latter slipped her cable, thus saving the Chinese gun boat. Having only one anchor left, the Archer's captain thought it advisable to steam to Hope Sound for refuge, and on the run across tremendous weather was experienced, but he reached his destination safely.

DEPARTURE OF THE RIFLE BRIGADE.

FAREWELL BANQUET GIVEN BY THE HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

The members of the Polo Club entertained the officers of the Rifle Battalion of the Rifle Brigade at a farewell dinner, in the Hongkong Club, on the evening of Wednesday, 11th Nov. Among those present were Captain Patton-Bellhouse, Messrs. Alexander, Boden, Holland, Long, Paley, and Thresher, and the Hon. H. L. Lee-Dillon. The senior member of the Polo Club, the Hon. T. H. Whitehead, was in the Chair, Capt. Loveband occupied the vice-Chair, and twenty-four past and present members sat down.

After the toast of the "Queen" had been warmly honoured, The Chairman said: We have met together tonight for a good "crack," a little conviviality and good fellowship, which after all is the very wine of life; for it stimulates, exhilarates, and comforts, while it cures man out of gloom and depression. (Cheers.) We are extremely desirous to do honour to our fellow polo-players in the Rifle Battalion of the far-famed and gallant Rifle Brigade, who are so soon to leave us for the warmer climes of Singapore. The departure of the Battalion on this "dot on the ocean" has been, alas, all too short, but sufficient to cause us to realize and sorrow over the serious loss the Colony sustains through the departure of the wearers of the "green jacket." Hongkong was fortunate to have had the privilege of their presence, however brief, and we shall sorely miss them. The "crack" 95th Rifles were taken out of the Line and styled the Rifle Brigade early in the century. The Brigade was originally formed of picked and specially selected men from various regiments. Its Battalions have always been the skirmishers of the British army and ever in the van. The First Battalion has served almost everywhere; in the Peninsula and in the Crimea, at Balaclava, Inkerman, Sebastopol, Waterloo, in the Indian mutiny, Burmah, and elsewhere, and with great gallantry and conspicuous distinction. They have done everything which British soldiers can do, and many of its members have from time to time been awarded the much-coveted "Victoria Cross" for acts of bravery and valor, as well as for famous achievements. (Applause.) The Brigade has a brilliant and a glorious record, and the prestige it has gained we may be sure will be in safe keeping in the future, and should the opportunity arise will no doubt be increased, so long as it is in hands equal to the present. Not only in the field but in all branches of sport the First Battalion has ever been to the front. (Prolonged cheers.) Major Pemberton, a distinguished soldier, rendered invaluable service to the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, including the Light Field Battery and Maxim Gun Corps. A more thoroughly sporting match than that recently played between the Brigade and the Cricket Club has seldom been witnessed on the Hongkong ground. It is about ten years since our local cricketers were defeated by a Regiment stationed here, and in this keenly contested match, wholesome rivalry, permeated with true cricketing spirit, fired the brains of both sides. The Captaincy of Capt. Eccles, his example in the field, his resolute hitting and sterling batting, materially helped his fellow officers to well earned victory, while Fitzgibbon, Alexander, and Thresher rendered invaluable assistance, and gave an exhibition of very sound and excellent cricket. The Regiment has been equally fortunate at Football this year, while the "nippy" Mr. Boden won, in a contest, all the five-steplechases in this season's Gymkhanas. (Applause.) The Rifle Brigade burlesque, "Fra Diavolo," was an unqualified and bumper success, and the splendid acting of the chivalrous Captain Baker Carr and the indefatigable Mr. Thresher will be long and tenderly remembered by the Hongkong community. (Cheers.) The Rifle Brigade, the 7th Hussars, and the 89th Regiment took part in the first game of "Hockey on horseback" played in the British army, at Umballa, India, in 1862, and the Regiment came near winning the Inter-Regimental Polo Cup in Lucknow in 1864. On their arrival in Hongkong in the summer of that year, the mainly game of Polo, and "the King of sports" in these Far Eastern lands, was at low ebb, but thanks to the untiring efforts of Alexander, the hard-hitting Mr. Paley, and other dashing players in the Regiment, the health-yielding sport was regenerated with greater life and force than ever. (Prolonged cheers.) On behalf of the Hongkong Polo Club I desire to express to the officers of the First Battalion of the Rifle Brigade our hearty appreciation and deep gratitude for all they have so nobly done to improve Polo in Hongkong. (Loud and prolonged cheers.) Before I sit down, permit me, please, to remind the officers of the First Battalion that their countrymen through

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1893. Case

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
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in the ST. ANDREW'S HALL on MONDAY,
the 23rd instant, at 5.30 P.M.

E. W. MITCHELL,

Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1896. [1775]

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CENTS per SHARE (or FIVE PER CENT
on the Capital of the Company), will be PAYABLE
at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK,
HONGKONG, on and after the 15th instant, on
WARRANTS to be obtained from the Under-
signed. Local Shareholders are requested to
apply at the COMPANY'S OFFICE for their
WARRANTS.

The DIVIDEND will also be PAYABLE
at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK
SHANGHAI, on presentation of WARRANTS
there, on and after the same date.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be
CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 21st instant,
until SATURDAY, the 28th instant, both days
inclusive, during which period no Transfer of
Shares can be registered.

By Order.

A. H. MANCILL,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th November, 1896. [1727]

NOTICE.

PASTRY. PASTRY.

I BEG to inform my CUSTOMERS and the
PUBLIC that from this date I will have
Every Morning a FRESH SUPPLY of—
AFTERNOON TEA CAKES,
SPONGE CAKES,
CHOCOLATE CAKES,
CHOCOLATE CAKES,
CHOCOLATE CAKES, &c.

Confectioned by a FIRST-CLASS FRENCH
PASTRY-COOK.

ORDERS for SPECIAL CAKES will be
EXECUTED at the SHORTEST NOTICE.

Speciality for BALLS or SOIREES.

A Trial earnestly Solicited.

G. GIRAUULT,

6, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1896. [1800]

JUST LANDED.

A FRESH CONSIGNMENT OF PINE-APPLE
BRAND AUSTRALIAN HAMS and
BACON at 45 Cents a lb.

Also

A FRESH LOT OF ANGLO-SWISS MILK.
H. RUTTONJEE,
18, D'Almeida Street,
Hongkong, 20th November, 1896. [1803]

NOTICE.

BRADLEY M. CONCEPTION will NOT BE
RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted
by his Son JOHN M. CONCEPTION, aged
18 years.
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1896. [1688]

JAPANESE POSTAGE STAMPS.

EVERY one who sends me 100 GOOD
STAMPS, in 25 VARIETIES, from JAPAN.
K. TODA,
Blugo Mitranosho, Japan.
[1771]

OYSTER COCKTAILS.

RUM PUNCH,
CHAMPAGNE COCKTAILS,
at the Prettiest, Quietest and most select place
in town.

THOMAS' GRILL ROOM.

Tiffin and Dinners a Specialty.
Private Dining Rooms.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1896. [1763]

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

No. 8, Queen's Road Central.
Head Office—TOKIO.

Branch Office—

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOMBAY,
SINGAPORE, SHANGHAI, TIENTSIN,
NEWCHANG and all Ports in JAPAN.

Agents—

Mitsui Coal Mines,
Osaka Coal Mines,
Tokyo Marine Insurance Co., Limited,
Meiji Fire Insurance Co., Limited,
Imperial Government Paper Mills, Japan,
Cotton Cleaning and Wkg. Co., Shanghai,
Onoda Cement Company, Japan,
Kuregafuchi Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan,
Tokyo Cotton Spinning Mill, Japan,
Hayashi Clock Factory,
Hongkong, 6th July, 1896.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"NAMO,"
Capt. Hall, will be despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1896. [1801]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship
"HINSANG,"
Capt. Kyocho, will be despatched as above
on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M., instead
of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1896. [1773]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship
"ZAFIRO,"
Capt. Cobban, will be despatched for the
above Port on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at
Daylight.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation

for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1896. [1802]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND

SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship
"FAUSANG,"
Capt. N. Moncur, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1896. [1797]

"MILBURN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,
THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE,"

Morgan, Commander, will be despatched for the
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant,
at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1896. [1765]

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NAGASAKI AND KOBE.
THE Steamship

"CROMARTY,"

Capt. Duncan, will be despatched for the
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant,
at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1896. [1789]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND

SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship
"SHANTUNG,"
Capt. Frampton, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1896. [1793]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"BENVOLICH,"

Capt. Clark, will be despatched as above
on or about the 26th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1896. [1781]

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,
(Calling at THOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEEN-
SLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to
ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"MENMUIR,"

Capt. Craig, will be despatched for the above
Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant, at
Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for

Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber

which ensures a plentiful supply of Fresh

Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1896. [1781]

JAVA, CHINA, JAPAN LINE OF
STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE

ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY

OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

(Subject to Alterations.)

JAVA, HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, KOBE,

AMOI, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE,
JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. Federation ... To JAVA ... Nov. ...

S.S. Germania ... To JAVA ... Dec. ...

S.S. Germania ... To JAPAN ... Nov. ...

S.S. Cassius ... To JAPAN ... Dec. ...

General Agents for China & Japan,
LAUREN, WEGENER & Co.,
Hankow, 31st October, 1896. [1747]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship

"ULYSSES,"

Capt. Brown, will be despatched as above on
SATURDAY, the 5th December.

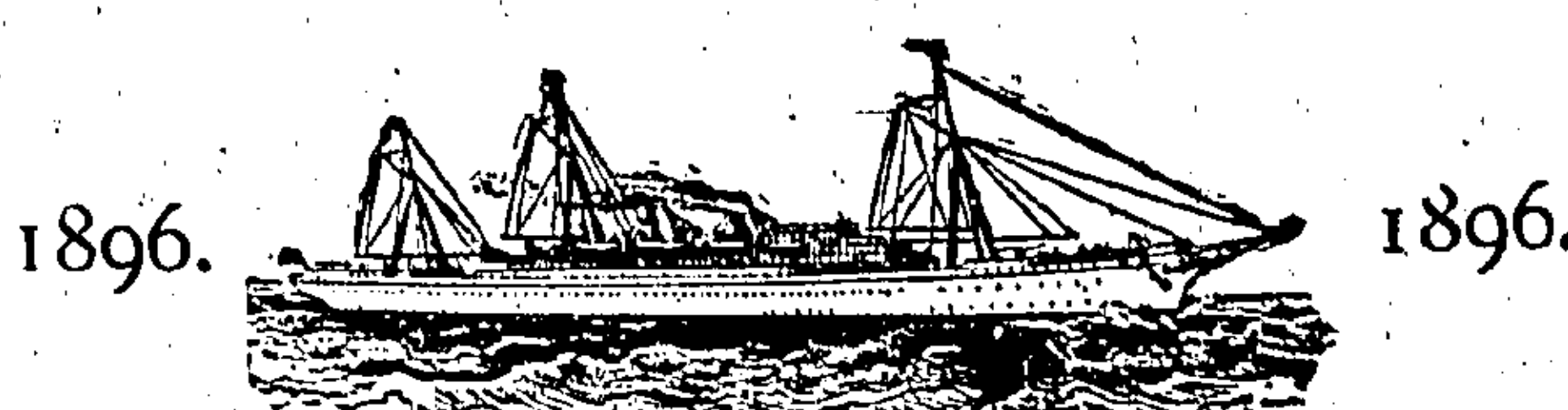
For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1896. [1794]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)
Twin Screw Steamships—4,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 25th November.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 25th December.

EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1897.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF
JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12
DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PACIFIC TRANS-CONTINENTAL
TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent
FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is
made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which
passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return
tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China, and Japan
Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney
Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for
9 months, £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS,
(second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS
(the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition),
and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the
Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by
the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street. [13]

Hongkong, 28th October, 1896.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL
STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND
AUSTRALIA.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Belge (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ... Tuesday, 24th Nov., at Noon.

Coffin (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ... Thursday, 10th Dec., at Noon.

Galle (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ... Tuesday, 29th Dec., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship
"BELGIC,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND
SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on
TUESDAY, the 24th November, 1896, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu
and passengers are allowed to break their
journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the
United States or Canada. Rates, and particu-
lars of the various Routes may be obtained
upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European
Officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking
at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice
versa) within one year, will be allowed a dis-
count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not
apply to through fares for China and Japan
to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full, and same will be received at
the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1896. [13]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,
NAVAL CONTRACTORS
AND GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL HONGKONG.
SOAP MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S RAHTIEN'S GENUINE
COMPOSITION RED HAND BRAND.
HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT.
DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES
&c., &c.

Sole Agents for
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM
P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH
WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.

AT
REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1896. [14]

Mails.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT,
BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL
PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen ... Wednesday 10th Dec.
Bayern ... Tuesday ... 5th Jan.
Prinz Heinrich ... Tuesday ... 2nd Feb.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of Dec.,
1896, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship
"SACHSEN," Capt. H. Saper, with MAILED
PASSENGERS, SPECIAL CARGO, will
leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and
GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on
Monday, the 7th Dec. Cargo and Special
will be received on board until 5 P.M. on Tuesday,
the 8th Dec., and Parcels will be received at
the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the
8th Dec. Contents of Packages are required.
No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than
\$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet
Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1896. [1743]

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILWAY

COMPANIES:

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to
the very cheap rates offered by this Line
to the PACIFIC COAST and the INTERIOR AND
EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and
CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON \$400.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Table,
Doctor and STEWARDESSE carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK \$350.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on
the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery
of the Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, etc. Passen-
gers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first
class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.

Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Govern-
ment Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM

HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Tacoma ... 2,549 Tuesday ... Dec. 8.
Victoria ... 3,167 Tuesday ... Dec. 20.
Olympia ... 2,608 Tuesday ... Jan. 19.
Bismarck ... 3,601 Tuesday ... Feb. 9.
Tacoma ... 2,549 Tuesday ... Mar. 2.

THE Steamship
"TACOMA,"
Capt. T. A. Whistler, R.N.R., sailing at Noon,
on TUESDAY, the 8th December, will proceed
to VICTORIA (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.),
via SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan,
Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and
United States Ports.